

transactions with the Cuban military, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. PERLMUTTER (for himself, Mr. ROSS, Ms. MOORE, Mr. SIRE, Mr. ASHFORD, and Mr. NOLAN):

H.R. 2938. A bill to amend the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 to authorize the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to carry out a loan repayment program for certain architects, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. RANGEL (for himself, Ms. MOORE, and Ms. NORTON):

H.R. 2939. A bill to amend certain appropriations riders that limit the ability of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives to administer the Federal firearms laws; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. REICHERT (for himself, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. DOLD, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, and Mr. VALADAO):

H.R. 2940. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to improve and make permanent the above-the-line deduction for certain expenses of elementary and secondary school teachers; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ROE of Tennessee:

H.R. 2941. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit the receipt of bonuses by Department of Veterans Affairs employees who violate Federal civil laws or regulations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. SALMON (for himself, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. SCHWEIKERT, Mr. GOSAR, Ms. MCSALLY, Mr. BARLETTA, Mr. MEADOWS, Mr. BRAT, Mr. MCCLINTOCK, Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina, and Mr. WALKER):

H.R. 2942. A bill to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to detain any alien who is unlawfully present in the United States and is arrested for certain criminal offenses; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SALMON:

H.R. 2943. A bill to prohibit the Department of Agriculture from obligating or expending any funds for grants awarded for research on the prevention of rose rosette disease, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Appropriations, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. SENSENBRENNER (for himself, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. LABRADOR, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. FARENTHOLD, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. COLLINS of Georgia, Mr. COHEN, Mr. BISHOP of Michigan, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mrs. LOVE, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Mr. BARTON, Mr. GUTIÉRREZ, Mr. YOHIO, Ms. BASS, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. RICHMOND, Mr. RIGELL, Mr. JEFFRIES, Mr. MCCLINTOCK, and Mr. CÁRDENAS):

H.R. 2944. A bill to improve public safety, accountability, transparency, and respect for federalism in Federal criminal law by applying the findings of the bipartisan Over-Criminalization Task Force and evidence-based reforms already made by some States, and reinvesting the resulting savings from doing so in additional evidence-based criminal justice strategies that are proven to reduce recidivism and crime, and the burden of the

criminal justice system on the taxpayer; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. WELCH:

H.R. 2945. A bill to require the administering authority to determine an individual countervailable subsidy rate upon request if four or fewer exporters and producers are involved in the investigation or review, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. WILLIAMS:

H.R. 2946. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reduce the corporate income tax rate to 20 percent; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BISHOP of Michigan (for himself and Mr. TROTT):

H. Con. Res. 58. Concurrent resolution supporting the designation of the week of September 11 to September 17 as "Patriot Week"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. CICILLINE (for himself, Ms. ESTY, Mr. LANGEVIN, Ms. NORTON, and Mr. MEEKS):

H. Con. Res. 59. Concurrent resolution expressing support for designation of June 21 as National ASK (Asking Saves Kids) Day to promote children's health and gun safety; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. BOUSTANY:

H. Res. 340. A resolution returning to the Senate H.R. 1735, a bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2016 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes, with the Senate amendment thereto; considered and agreed to, considered and agreed to.

By Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi:

H. Res. 341. A resolution raising a question of the privileges of the House; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Ms. JACKSON LEE (for herself, Mr. LEWIS, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. RUSH, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. COHEN, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, and Mr. VEASEY):

H. Res. 342. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the enhancement of unity in America; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN (for herself, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. POE of Texas, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Ms. BROWNLEY of California, Mr. FARR, and Mr. VALADAO):

H. Res. 343. A resolution expressing concern regarding persistent and credible reports of systematic, state-sanctioned organ harvesting from non-consenting prisoners of conscience in the People's Republic of China, including from large numbers of Falun Gong practitioners and members of other religious and ethnic minority groups; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. CLYBURN (for himself, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Ms. ADAMS, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. CLAY, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. EDWARDS, Mr. FATTAH, Ms. FUDGE, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. JEFFRIES, Ms. EDDIE

BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Ms. LEE, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. LEWIS, Ms. MOORE, Ms. NORTON, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. RICHMOND, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. VEASEY, Ms. MAXINE WATERS of California, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Ms. BASS, Ms. BROWN of Florida, and Mr. SCOTT of Virginia):

H. Res. 344. A resolution urging the discontinued use of the Confederate battle flag, which represents pain, humiliation, torture, and racial oppression, in remembrance of the Emanuel 9; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PETERS (for himself, Ms. NORTON, Mr. JONES, Mr. PAYNE, and Mr. DESAULNIER):

H. Res. 345. A resolution expressing support for designation of the month of June 2015 as "National Post-Traumatic Stress Awareness Month" and June 27, 2015, as "National Post-Traumatic Stress Awareness Day"; to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. YOHIO (for himself, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. COOK, Mr. RIBBLE, Mr. ISSA, and Mr. CLAWSON of Florida):

H. Res. 346. A resolution condemning the use of toxic chemicals as weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

## MEMORIALS

Under clause 3 of rule XII,

70. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois, relative to House Resolution No. 497, urging the Congress to pass legislation in support of universal child care services for working families and to provide sufficient and sustainable funding for a permanent child care program similar to the federally administered program created and implemented under the Lanham Act of 1940; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

## CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. LIPINSKI:

H.R. 2886.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, §8, clause 3, the Commerce Clause

By Mr. CARTWRIGHT:

H.R. 2887.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution relating to the power of Congress to lay and collect taxes, duties, imposts and excises, to pay the debts and provide for the common defense and general welfare of the United States)

By Mr. BARTON:

H.R. 2888.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

clause 3 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution